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SUBJECT: ALLEGATIONS OF FORMER CZECH INTELLIGENCE OFFICER

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1. AUSTRIAN TV ON JULY 22 CARRIED VESELY INTERVIEW WITH FORMER CZECH INTELLIGENCE OFFICER JOSEF FROLIK REPORTED IN REFTEL. AUSTRIAN PAPERS JULY 23 CARRY EXTENSIVE ACCOUNTS WITH FOCUS ON FROLIK ALLEGATIONS THAT CZECH INTELLIGENCE WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR INITIATING VIOLENCE THAT INFLAMED SOUTH TYROL DISPUTE AND THAT PRESENT CZECH AMBASSADOR TO AUSTRIA IS INTELLIGENCE OFFICER.

2. AUSTRIAN TELECAST INCLUDED TELEPHONE CONVERSATION WITH VESELY THAT SERVED TO UNDERScore CREDIBILITY OF FROLIK'S CHARGES AND STATEMENT THAT AUSTRIAN MFA AND CZECH EMBASSY IN VIENNA HAD BOTH DECLINED TV'S REQUEST FOR COMMENT.

3. YUGOSLAV AMBASSADOR NOTED TO CHARGE ON JULY 22 CHANCELLOR KREISKY'S RECENT STRONG PUBLIC STATEMENTS
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AGAINST COMMUNISM (SEE VIENNA 6075 NOTAL) AND WONDERED

WHETHER KREISKY'S STATEMENTS PRESAGED ANYTHING MORE THAN
EFFORT TO ASSIST SOCIALISTS IN FRG ELECTION CAMPAIGN
AND TO CHECKMATE SMALL ELEMENT AMONG LEFT WING OF
AUSTRIAN SOCIALISTS WHICH INSISTS UPON NEED FOR
SOCIALIST-COMMUNIST COOPERATION AS IN ITALY AND FRANCE.

4. COMMENT: MOST OF FROLIK'S ALLEGATIONS WERE ALREADY
IN PUBLIC DOMAIN BUT TV BROADCAST FOCUSED POPULAR
ATTENTION ON THEM AT TIME WHEN THERE IS ALREADY INCREASING
SPECULATION ABOUT KREISKY'S PERSONALLY COOLING RELATIONS
WITH COMMUNIST EAST AND HIS REEMPHASIS OF AUSTRIA AFFINITY
FOR WEST. LATTER IS MOST EVIDENT IN KREISKY'S CALL FOR
WESTERN SUMMIT IN EARLY 1977 (VIENNA 5969). GOA OFFICIALS
BELIEVE KREISKY'S COMMENTS ON COMMUNISTS AND COMMUNISM
ARE BASICALLY DESIGNED TO HELP REELECTION CAMPAIGN OF FRG
SOCIALISTS. COMMENTS BY OFFICIALS FROM EE COMMUNIST
EMBASSIES IN VIENNA, HOWEVER, INDICATE SUSPICION THAT
USG ORCHESTRATING ANTI-COMMUNIST CAMPAIGN IN WESTERN
EUROPE, INCLUDING AUSTRIA. SINCE CZECHS ARE GENERALLY
VIEWED AS SOVIET SURROGATES IN AUSTRIA, PUBLICISING
ALLEGATIONS WILL PROBABLY GENERATE STILL MORE
SPECULATION THAT COULD CHILL KREISKY'S RELATIONS WITH
EAST FURTHER. TRINKA

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